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Title: **CATALYST MATERIALS FOR FUEL CELLS**

This application is assigned to California Institute of Technology, a California corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on November 24, 1997 at 8821/0607 in a parent case, U.S. Application Serial No. 08/827,319, filed March 16 1997 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,945,231 on August 31, 1999.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

| | <u>Pages</u> |
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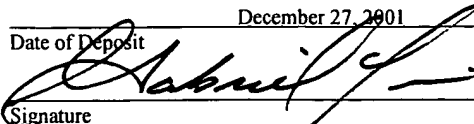
Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 1 Page, and PTO-892, 1 page, from the parent application.
- Copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney papers from a parent application, Serial No. 08/827,319.

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Applicants call attention to documents listed on attached forms PTO-1449 and PTO-892 from parent case U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/305,249 filed May 4, 1999. Per 37 CFR 1.98(d), copies of those documents are not provided. Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Forms PTO-1449 and PTO-892 with the examiner's initials.

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/305,249 filed May 4, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/827,319 filed March 26, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,945,231, issued August 31, 1999). U.S. Patent Application No. 08/827,319, filed March 26, 1997, claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/014,166 filed on March 26, 1996. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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